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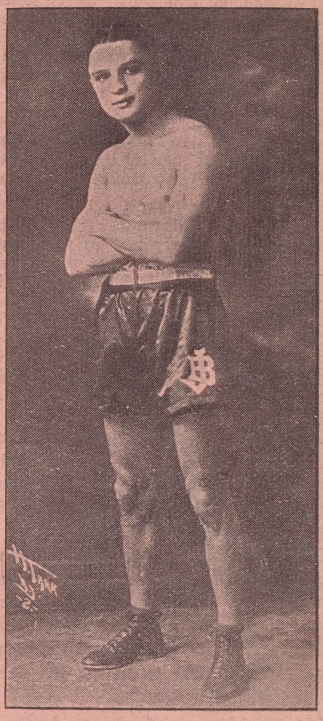

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Mike McTigue Wins World's Light Heavyweight Title, Defeating Battling Siki in Twenty Rounds

Irishman from United States Becomes National Hero of Emerald Isle Through Victory on St. Patrick's Day—Troops Guard Arena from Threats by Republicans to Bomb Place—McTigue Lets Senegalese Tire Himself Out Trying to Land on Him.

DUBLIN, Ireland—Mike McTigue, an Irishman from the United States, became the hero of boxing fans of the Emerald Isle when he defeated Battling Siki, from Senegal, Africa, winning the referee's decision at the end of 20 rounds here on St. Patrick's Day, March 17th. McTigue, who was born in Ireland but is an American citizen, won the world's light heavyweight championship by beating the conqueror of Georges Carpentier, who lost the title to Siki when he was knocked out in six rounds at Paris, Sept. 24, 1922.

The fight was held in the most unusual setting that ever surrounded a prize ring contest. The Scala theater, where the bout was staged, was guarded by a cordon of Free State Troops against threats of the Irish republican forces to prevent the fight. The republicans threatened to bomb the theater if the fight were held. Spectators entered the building between lines of soldiers with rifles bayonetted. Armored cars and machine guns were held in readiness to repel any attack.

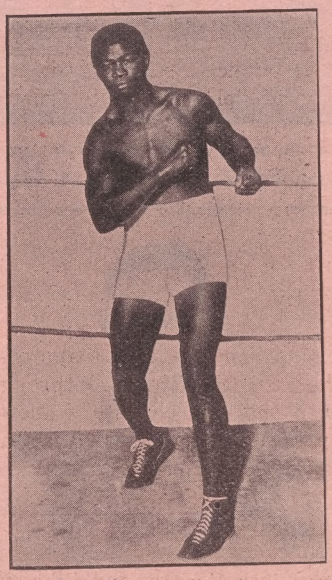
McTigue fought a defensive battle for the first 15 rounds and Siki exhausted himself trying to land his wild swings on the elusive Irishman.

McTigue apparently had been coached to let Siki wear himself out, as he was obviously not in the best of condition. Siki's steam went out of him at the end of the 15th round. He was very weary and he had to be pushed out of his corner. McTigue's seconds sent him out to fight in the 17th and he swarmed all over Siki, punching him with all his strength for the first time, and trying for a knockout.

Three hard right swings to the jaw in the 18th rocked Siki to his heels and made him hang on. He was in trouble and he had the greatest difficulty lasting out the round.

McTigue was still fresh and he continued a furious attack in the 19th and 20th rounds. He punched Siki dizzy and it was only an unsuspected and unfigured ability to take punishment that enabled Siki to be on his feet when the last bell rang.

The crowd went into frenzied cheering even before the decision was announced. When the verdict of the referee, named McTigue the winner, the roof was nearly rocked off the building with the volume of noise.



BATTLING SIKI

By Boxing Major

LONDON, Eng.—The ban imposed by the British government on the projected Siki-Beckett fight in London has, apparently, created an impression in the minds of some American writers that the game over here is liable to further interference from the authorities. It can be stated right now that the police have no intention of meddling with or suppressing any properly conducted show but they decline to permit mixed color bouts of international importance. The position of boxing in England is a peculiar one, and it is not remarkable that confusion exists in the minds of writers not thoroughly conversant with the subtleties of British law.

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In theory boxers do not intend to hurt one another seriously and in actual practice it is rare that any grave injury is inflicted. Nevertheless, the actual striking of one person by another is accounted an assault, even when committed with the consent of a person assaulted. Boxing contests, therefore, come within the laws framed to avoid breaches of the peace. Test cases in the courts, however, have created a sort of unwritten law that contests of a limited number of rounds not exceeding 20 between men wearing boxing gloves can be permitted. Prize fighting is an offense against the law, but where the illegality comes in is not clearly defined. The name does not count for much as every contest, amateur or professional carries with it a prize of some description, but the courts have interpreted the meaning as "where the parties meet intending to fight till one gives in from exhaustion or injury received, whether the parties fight in gloves or not." The absence of gloves is evidence that the contestants are out to injure one another and such a bout would come under the heading of a prize fight, even though the number of rounds were limited.

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The number of deaths resulting from boxing contests in this country is remarkably few and is far below the percentage of fatalities reported in football, hockey, motor racing and horse racing.

Some years before the war it was the practice of the police when a boxing fatality occurred to prefer a charge of manslaughter against all concerned in the affair but the judges always agreed that death in these cases was accidental and no action is taken now unless the coroner's inquiry into the cause of the death reveals an irregularity on the part of the promoter such as wearing skin tight gloves, failure to have the boxers medically examined or an infraction of the rules governing boxing contests.

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One of the members of the new parliament proposes to introduce a bill legalizing boxing in England, a project that is not being favorably received by the press writers. There is no pressing need for such a bill and being a private member's measure it is not likely to attract the attention or support of the government leaders.

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Joe Fox has been medically advised to take a holiday before negotiating for battles involving his British featherweight title and acting on the advice has gone to America. So far, he has made no plans for boxing on your side, but should his health improve there is a good prospect of seeing our best 126-pound boy in action In any case, Fox will not remain long in the States as he is under promise to defend his Lonsdale belt in April or May against Danny Frush or Mick McAdam. If there were any signs of

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Shelby, Montana Promoters Confident They Can Stage World's Heavyweight Championship Bout

American Legion posts and big business men of state pledge aid in raising quarter of million dollars needed to finance contest between Champion Jack Dempsey and Tommy Gibbons—$55,000 raised at one meeting in less than hour—Arena will be built in natural amphitheatre near mountains

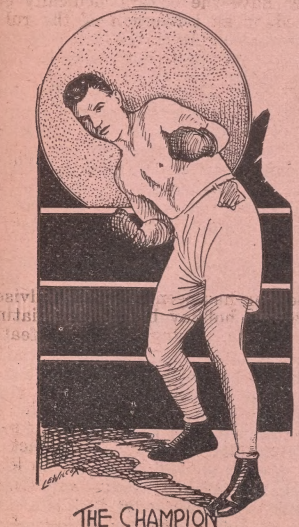
By MIKE E. COLLINS

NOTE—Mike E. Collins, Editor of the Boxing Blade, has been in Shelby, Mont., for several days conferring with promoters of the proposed Dempsey-Gibbons bout for the world's heavyweight championship. The promoters called on Mr. Collins to aid them in staging the big contest.

SHELBY, Mont.—Prospects that a world heavyweight championship boxing bout will be held in this town next July 4th are bright at present writing.

The men behind the proposed battle between Champion Jack Dempsey and Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul, leading contender for the title, are big business men and they are going after the bout in a business-like way.

The bid of the Shelby promoters for the big fight is not a mere publicity stunt for the purpose of "placing Shelby on the map." True, the business men of this town realize the advertising value of such a contest, but they are not going to stop at the little publicity that comes from just putting in a bid for a Dempsey-Gibbons battle.



THE CHAMPION JACK DEMPSEY

Going Through

That it is not all talk and that the promoters are going through with their part of it, is shown by the fact that $55,000 has already been pledged toward the purse of $250,000 needed to stage the contest.

Both Dempsey, through Manager Jack Kearns, and Gibbons, through Manager Eddie Kane, have signified their willingness to accept the purse offered, the champion to get $200,000 and Gibbons $50,000.

The Montana state department of the American Legion which consists of 127 local posts has agreed to get back of the big championship fight and raise the quarter of million dollars needed to finance the contest.

The actual money raising was begun at a mass meeting in Shelby which was attended by the big business men of this section. Loy J. Molumby, state commander of the American Legion, who is an attorney and also a member of the state boxing commission, started the ball rolling with a hot talk on the advantages of staging a world's championship bout here.

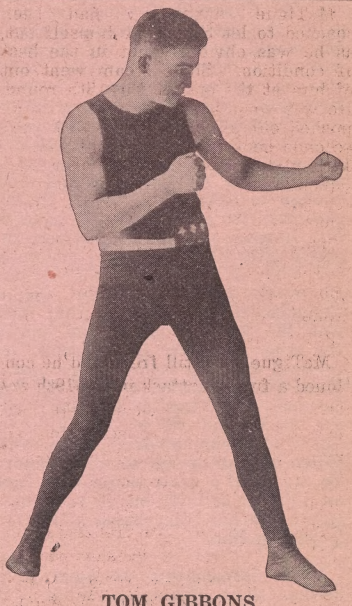
In less than an hour $55,000 in cash was raised. The Great Falls delegation kicked in with $26,000.

Going Over Top

All other Legion posts throughout the state are going over the top to raise the needed money.

The profits of the show will go to the American Legion to be used to aid war veterans who are in need of financial help.

The proposed site of the Dempsey-Gibbons fight arena is one mile outside Shelby. The arena will be built in a natural amphitheater near the Bear Paw mountains on the historic spot where the famous Chief Josephs and his band of one thousand Blackfoot Indians were wiped out in 1877 in a battle with United States troops under Generals Miles and Howard which lasted four days.



TOM GIBBONS
St. Paul Heavyweight Title Contender

Tom Andrews' Timely Ring Gossip

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Should Pancho Villa, who recently lost his title of American flyweight champion, to Frankie Genaro of Brooklyn, N. Y., defeat Jimmy Wilde, champion of the world in that class, when they meet in New York, June 16th next at the Polo Grounds, a very peculiar situation would arise as regards titles. Villa, although defeated here, would become world's champion flyweight, and Genaro, who won from Villa, would only hold the American crown. And don't be surprised if something of that kind happens.

Tom S. Andrews

Frank Churchill, who manages the little Filipino, has signed a contract with Tom O'Rourke, head of the Polo Grounds Boxing Corporation, to box Wilde on the date above mentioned. Even though Genaro won the decision of two of the judges when they met in New York, one of them voting for Villa, the astute Mr. O'Rourke selected Pancho as an opponent for the Britisher in the world's title match. Villa is barred from meeting any challenger for the title prior to his match with Jimmy Wilde.

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Manager Churchill was bitter in his denunciation of those who had taken the title from his boy. "Had there been no question about a decision," said Mr. Churchill, "I would not have given the matter a second thought, but would have taken my medicine without a murmur. However, there was no reason for such a decision. Here was a title at stake in a limited round contest. To take a championship from a man, in such a battle it would only be fair to all concerned to see that the margin of points were enough to assure a victory. In this case even the judges did not agree, as Mr. Barnes, one of the judges, declared after the bout that he had voted for Villa as winner of the contest. Chairman Muldoon of the Boxing Commission also declared that Villa was the winner, but lo and behold, the other two gave it to Genaro and relieved the little fellow of his crown. Even Tom O'Rourke, head of the Polo Grounds Club, was so disgusted with the verdict that he selected Villa for the world's championship match with Wilde instead of the winner—Genaro. To my mind a draw would have been an injustice to Villa, but it would have saved him his title, which surely belonged to him."

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From information at hand it is learned that Champion Wilde will leave for the United States on May 5th, arriving in New York six weeks ahead of the match, which should give him plenty of time to train for the same. It required a lot of persuasion to get Jimmy Wilde to consent to the match. The little Briton is wealthy and had made up his mind to retire and turn the championship over to some worthy challenger, but the tempting offer of Promoter O'Rourke was too much for him to pass up and as a result he decided to once more defend his title. A London syndicate had been after the same match with a big offer, but O'Rourke beat them to it. It is understood that Wilde will receive around $60,000 for his bit and Villa close to $40,000 for his end. Mr. O'Rourke has also cabled Wilde urging him and his manager, Ted Lewis, to sail for the states early in April so as to be on the ground in plenty of time and take no chances on the climate, which interfered with Jimmy's work when he came over here three years ago. It is almost a certainty that Jimmy will retire after his match with Villa, win or lose. His friends in England were anxious to have him retire as the unbeaten world's champion, but the lure of the coin was too much for the little Welshman to pass up.

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With the approach of spring the New York boxing promoters are working overtime to boost some of the prospective big matches for the open air arenas. Tex Rickard is a lucky bird to have a big heavyweight like Luis Firpo, the South American, burst into the limelight like a meteor from the skies. The list of heavyweight challengers does not amount to a great deal, compared to those of a few decades ago, but it is very necessary to have them and the search goes on. Jess Willard failed to make a hit in his comeback, and Fred Fulton, as usual, made a grand Barney of his chances. That left Floyd Johnson, and Firpo as the leading second string men to fight it out with Tommy Gibbons. Johnson showed well and now Firpo is the sensation by his knockout of Bill Brennan; in fact Luis came near sending Bill to his last resting place. The sensational reporters had Bill dead twice, but the veteran refused to stay dead, although he admitted being badly bruised up. Now the stage is being set for Firpo and Floyd Johnson while Tommy Gibbons is being boosted for a match with Champion Jack Dempsey.

It is possible that Jess Willard will break into the limelight with some of them, as Big Jess is still making a play for a match of some kind.

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Firpo's showing against Brennan was impressive in one respect—hitting ability. The South American lacked skill. At times it looked as though Brennan would put away the young giant, but the latter persevered and finally put the veteran to sleep. Firpo is apparently in about the same position as Willard was when he started for his match with Jack Johnson at Havana. He is big and strong and a powerful hitter, but without the knowledge of how to get the best results from his great strength.

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With all the excitement about the heavies comes reports of fabulous sums offered by various promoters for Dempsey to meet some one of the bunch. A South American syndicate was supposed to have a purse of $1,000,000 for the fighters of which Jack would receive $750,000, but the story was short lived, as Tex Rickard said he had Firpo tied up for a year and if any match was staged in the far south it would be by himself. In the meantime Mike Collins, Minneapolis promoter and manager, has been conferring with some oil men at Shelby, Mont., and they have made a bona fide offer of $250,000 for a Dempsey-Gibbons match. That seems to be the only legitimate offer outside of Rickard's bid for the same match in the east, and if Tex decides that he wants it he will no doubt jump the bid enough to get it. All thought of Harry Greb as an opponent of Dempsey has been dropped. Harry may be all right for the light heavies, but forget about him as a candidate for Dempsey's crown just now!

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Pinky Mitchell, who recently was awarded the junior welterweight championship at 140 lbs., through the voting contest promoted by the Minneapolis promoter—Mike E. Collins,—wants to get busy and defend his crown against the best challengers. Pinky was a classy boy as a lightweight and should be still better as a welterweight, the extra poundage adding to his hitting power. Harvey Thorpe, one of the lads who received a great number of votes in the contest, wants to meet Pinky in a title match and so does Galliano, the New Orleans welter. Billy Wells, the English boxer, is another who seeks a match with Pinky, but there is some doubt about him making the weight limit. There is talk of changing the name of Junior welterweight to something more appropriate, but so far no one has advanced a suitable substitute. Here is a chance for the fans to get busy with a new name for the class by offering suggestions to the writer.

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Jock Malone, one of the cleverest boxers in the country, handed Mike O'Dowd, former middleweight champion, a surprise package at St. Paul when he stopped "The Harp" in less than a round. Jock has been bothered with bad hands for some time, but in this case he seemed to be all right with his maulers, sending a left to the stomach that took the steam out of Mike, and following with rights to the jaw that ended in a practical knockout. Malone scaled only 152½ pounds. Without doubt Jock is a close rival of Jeff Smith for middleweight honors, both being after Johnny Wil-

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Breezy Broadway Boxing Bits

By ARTHUR T. LUMLEY

THE Broadway fans are up in the air over the Firpo-Brennan battle.

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They are fighting the bout over and over again in the hotel lobbies.

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Arthur T. Lumley

The much disputed outcome of the fight has become an all night argument in "Mad Alley."

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Most of the experts who witnessed the Firpo and Brennan clash declared they fought strictly on the level.

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But there are also quite a few who think otherwise.

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Leo P. Flynn is wildly raving over the cry of "Fake" by a certain few fistic scribes.

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He swears by all the gods he'll have the scalps of all the defamers.

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Leo declares he'll sue the Evening Mail and Evening Telegram of this city and the Boston Post for libel.

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These papers accused Brennan of taking an alleged flop.

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Both Flynn and Brennan dropped quite a big bankroll on the result of the mill—so they say.

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Al Lippe and quite a number of other wise managers also had their money on Brennan.

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Firpo was an 8 to 5 favorite in the betting a few hours before the contest.

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But it suddenly switched at the ringside to 1 to 2 on Brennan.

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And maybe there wasn't some wagering all over the Garden during the exciting rounds especially.

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Nobody seemed to pay any attention to Muldoon's order against betting. It's another fake.

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A large number of South American fans cleaned up galore on Firpo.

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It was a bad night for the crafty New York sharpshooters.

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Even Jack Britton backed Brennan to win with some real coin.

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Brennan's injuries are probably not as serious as reported at this writing.

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He undoubtedly took a severe lambasting but will soon be himself again.

Frank Hagney, the Australian heavyweight tells me that Firpo has been knocked out twice in the Argentine.

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Angel Rodriquez, a 176-pounder, accomplished the feat in one round and again in four.

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That's according to Hagney, who has boxed and trained with both of these South American fighters.

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Now the Australian is trying to induce Rodriquez to come and box here.

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But Rodriquez has a rich wife who does not want him to combat in the ring.

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Many a good woman has spoiled a good fighter's pugilistic aspirations.

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Jack Renault seems to be quite a likely heavyweight star at present.

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His knockout of George Godfrey in the eleventh round was a big surprise to the wise birds.

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Godfrey was boomed to the skies as a very dangerous dark destroyer.

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But when Jimmy Dougherty sells a fighter he knows what he's doing.

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The clique around the Garden still have the pugilistic market cornered.

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It's getting harder and harder day by day for any outsiders to break in there.

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But some of the leading gangsters manage to get special favors at the Garden and other clubs.

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They have a secret underground method of getting theirs.

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"Colored fighters should keep away from mine speculations," says Jack Johnson.

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Of course Johnson has no reference to Jim Jeffries' mining speculations.

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But many wealthy fighters who indulge in outside speculations frequently get stung.

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There's quite a host of Broadway curb managers outdoors now with approach of spring.

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Boisterous birds, who do business in their hats in the open air.

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Because office rents and other expenses are too high at present.

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There won't be any fights in the Garden for the next five weeks.

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Ringling's big circus will be the attraction there until about the middle of May.

So the small clubs around Manhattan and Brooklyn will have a chance to corral some coin in the interim.

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Just think of it! Joe Woodman has booked Jim Tracey up for five more fights.

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When Tracey gets through with these five conflicts he should be either better or worse than ever.

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Nate Lewis is getting most of the leading boxers to use Mineralava to beautify their mugs.

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God knows some of them need some sort of a facial beautifier.

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Manager Lewis should open up a boxers' beauty parlor on Broadway.

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Some of the other clubs besides the Garden are now allowed to run two shows a week.

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The Boxing Blade for many moons exposed the injustice to the smaller clubs.

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The Garden management ran as many shows as they pleased a week.

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But all the other clubs were only allowed one per week until the Blade showed up this unjust favoritism.

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A little shot once in a while even wakes up the most presumptuous of autocrats.

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Frankie Genaro, the new flyweight champion, has become an actor before the footlights.

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The stage has robbed many a champion of his steam and fistic ability.

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Maybe Benny Leonard will discover this fact when he starts to battle again.

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Most of the extravagant offers from foreign lands sound awfully keflooey.

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Even that bid of $750,000 from Buenos Aires for a fracas between Dempsey and Firpo.

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Tex Rickard has got the first call on Firpo's services, however.

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In fact, Rickard has the South American giant bound tight by a cast iron contract.

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Even Damon Runyon confirms this when he says: "It is well known that Rickard is advising Firpo and that Firpo listens to his advice."

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Why shouldn't Firpo listen to his benefactor when the listening means a bag of $$$$$$$$$$$$$$.

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MIKE McTIGUE, a real son of the "Ould Sod," now of Boston, does not hold the American light heavyweight championship, but he beat the man who held the world's title—Battling Siki—and must now be classed as world's light heavyweight title holder. Mike gathered in his little crown when he defeated the Senegalese in a 20-round battle at Dublin, Ireland, St. Patrick's day. It was an appropriate celebration for Mike. The victory puts Mike right into the big matches in Europe, for he will surely get a crack at Jack Bloomfield, British holder of the light heavy title, also Georges Carpentier in place of Siki and probably Joe Beckett, holder of the British heavyweight crown. There is some doubt about the latter, as Joseph is tied up for two bouts in London and is also under option to Tom O'Rourke of New York for a big match. McTigue is no novice by any means. He was born in Ireland 31 years ago, but settled in Boston as a lad. He has been boxing since 1915 and has beaten some very good fighters in the east, among them Silent Martin, Roddy McDonald of Canada, Sailor Petrosky, Dan Ferguson, Tommy Robson, Tommy Madden, George Robinson, Jack McCarron, Jack Bloomfield of England, Gus Platts, Jackie Clarke, Young Fisher, and lost and won a decision with Jeff Smith. If he ever meets Carpentier don't bet that the Frenchman will win, for, as we said before, Mike is far from a novice and can fight like a bull dog.

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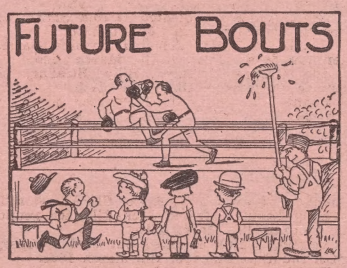
OF LATE there have been many reports around New York about boxing matches, especially some of the big ones, being "fixed," etc. When traced down the reports usually end in smoke, but they do the game a lot of harm without any comeback. The same thing could be said of baseball games, and if persisted in, would soon do a lot of damage, but the ball men are so well organized that they are after such reports before they have a chance to do any damage. It is usually the "tin horn" sports who start such rumors, due to losing a few dollars on one side or the other. That is one good reason why the no-decision rule should be given consideration. The big promoters are certainly not in the game to try and kill it with "fake" matches; on the contrary it is to their benefit to keep the game clean and above reproach. The boxers and managers should do everything in their power to assist the promoters in this respect—that is if they do not want to kill the "golden goose."



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Jimmy Wilde vs. Pancho Villa, 15 rounds, New York City, June 16th.
Jess Willard vs. Floyd Johnson, 15 rounds, New York City, May 12th.
Georges Carpentier vs. Joe Beckett, London, England, June 14th.
Joe Beckett vs. Dick Smith, 20 rounds, London, England, May 14th.
Benny Leonard vs. Sailor Friedman, 15 rounds, New York City, July 2nd.
Johnny Leonard vs. Johnny Reno, 10 rounds, Easton, Pa., March 27th.
Frank Yarchan vs. Al. Carpenter, 10 rounds, Easton, Pa., April 3rd.
Young Montreal vs. "Irish" Johnny Curtin, 12 rounds, Jersey City, N. J., March 26th.
Eddie Burnbrook vs. Phil Bloom, 12 rounds, Baltimore, Md., March 29th.
Joey Fox vs. K. O. O'Donnell, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., April 12th.
Pal Moran vs. Bobby Barrett, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., April 2nd.
Eddie Brady vs. Joe Ritchie, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., April 2nd.
"Italian" Joe Gans vs. Young Laurette, 12 rounds, Troy, N. Y., April 2nd.
"Al" Holzman vs. Bobby Wolgast, 8 rounds, Philadelphia, Pa., April 9th.
Battling Budd vs. Frankie Lewis, 8 rounds, Raleigh, N. C., March 23rd.
Freddie Boorde vs. Tim O'Dowd, 10 rounds, Rome, Ga., March 28th.
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Harry Drake vs. Jeff Smith, 10 rounds, Toronto, Ont., Canada, March 26th.
Gunner Joe Quinn vs. Jimmy Nuss, 10 rounds, Fond du Lac, Wis., March 23rd.
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Jackie Nichols vs. Jimmy Woodhall, 10 rounds, Fargo, N. D., April 6th.
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Tiger Flowers vs. Tut Jackson, 12 rounds, Springfield, Ohio, March 26th.
Don "Terror" Long vs. Jimmy Dundee, 10 rounds, Rawlins, Wyo., March 29th.
Ted Krache vs. Archie Stoy, 6 rounds, Hoquiam, Wash., March 26th.
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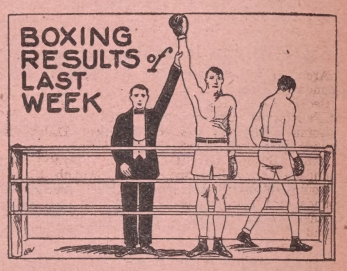
Morrie Johnson vs. Freddy Weilder, 8 rounds, East Chicago, Ind., March 23rd.
Fred Lucas vs. George Verner, 6 rounds, East Chicago, Ind., March 23rd.



EAST

Elino Flores defeated Tommy Noble, ten rounds at New York City, March 16th.
Pal Moore defeated Frankie Jerome, ten rounds at New York City, March 16th.
Harvey Bright defeated Mike Ballerino, ten rounds at New York City, March 16th.
Charlie Murray knocked out Charlie Picker, fourth round at New York City, March 10th.
Sonny Cashin defeated Terry Martin, eight rounds at New York City, March 10th.
Jack Douglass and Battling Jones boxed eight rounds at New York City, March 15th.
Wildman Gould defeated Jack McVey, eight rounds at New York City, March 15th.
Jimmy Gardy defeated Dominick Servedio, eight rounds at New York City, March 15th.
Buddy Wallace won on a foul from Dave Medar in the fourth round at New York City, March 15th.
Spencer Gardner defeated Frankie Fasano, twelve rounds in Harlem, New York City, March 10th.
Willie Darcy defeated Sammy Cohen, twelve rounds in Harlem, New York City, March 10th.
Cowboy Williams knocked out Henry Shaw, second round in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
Sid Buller knocked out Murray Cohen, first round in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
Sammy Schact defeated Andy Carra, four rounds in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
Johnny Green defeated Artie Nelson, four rounds in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
K. O. Phil Kaplan defeated Jimmy Amato, six rounds at New York City, March 12th.
Joe Skinner defeated Jack Tilyou, four rounds at New York City, March 12th.
Jack Snyder knocked out Sammy Blonder, first round in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
Herman Rose defeated Jack Guida, four rounds in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
Dave Weber defeated Patsy Brocco, four rounds in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
Harry Chantzler defeated Joe Rocco, four rounds in Harlem, New York City, March 14th.
Buck Josephs defeated Larry Goldberg, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 10th.
Frankie Florio knocked out Henry Mick, seventh round at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 10th.

Herb Brodie defeated Harry Galfund, six rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 10th.

Johnny Vestri defeated Willie Mack, six rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 10th.

Jackie Gordon defeated August Pisano, six rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 10th.

Al McCloskey and Joey Weiner boxed six rounds to a draw at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 10th.

Jackie Moore and Emilo Morro boxed eight rounds to a draw at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 13th.

Joe Kestner defeated Young Eppy, eight rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 13th.

Freddy Clark and Andy Johnson boxed eight rounds to a draw at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 13th.

Georgie Ward defeated Soldier Bartfield, twelve rounds at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 15th.

Jimmy Cancro defeated Marty Williams at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 15th.

Joey Silvers knocked out Tony Palmer, sixth round at Brooklyn, N. Y., March 15th.

Jay Lanahan knocked out Frankie Fleming, third round at Staten Island, N. Y., March 12th.

Mickey Walker defeated Charlie Fitzsimmons, twelve rounds at Buffalo, N. Y., March 14th.

Eddie Fitzsimmons defeated Allentown Dundee, ten rounds at Buffalo, N. Y., March 14th.

Jimmy Goodrich defeated Chubby Brown, twelve rounds at Rochester, N. Y., March 12th.

Abe Friedman defeated Battling Mack, ten rounds at Boston, Mass., March 13th.

Henry Ford defeated Battling Ketchel at Boston, Mass., March 13th.

Jimmy Smith defeated Spike Hennessey, eight rounds at Boston, Mass., March 13th.

Pat Kelly defeated Benny Nelson, eight rounds at Boston, Mass., March 13th.

Archie Walker knocked out Kid Dubee, eight rounds at Brockton, Mass., March 16th.

George Lee defeated Earl France, ten rounds at Fall River, Mass., March 14th.

Tommy Ryan defeated Frankie Daly, ten rounds at Lynn, Mass., March 12th.

Chick Suggs defeated Robby Dyson, ten rounds at New Bedford, Mass., March 12th.

Young Mantry defeated Billy Murphy, ten rounds at Lowell, Mass., March 12th.

Martin Flaherty defeated George Bush, tenth round at Lowell, Mass., March 15th.

Jack Dillon knocked out Benny Gray, fourth round at Lowell, Mass., March 15th.

Al Verbecken defeated Mike Schultz, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., March 16th.

Scotty Mulligan defeated Young Mulligan, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., March 16th.

Danny Kramer defeated Pedro Campo, eight rounds at Philadelphia, Pa., March 15th.

Dick Allen defeated Young Newely, four rounds at Pottstown, Pa., March 13th.

Peanut Narino defeated Midget Newton at Pittstown, Pa., March 13th.

Johnny Milligan knocked out Ed Maguire, first round at Pottstown, Pa., March 13th.

Jimmy Sweeney defeated Joe Comiskey, six rounds at Pottstown, Pa., March 13th.

Johnny Reno defeated Al Willis, ten rounds at Pottsville, Pa., March 5th.

Young Zeno and "Swat" Mulligan boxed eight rounds to a draw at Pottsville, Pa., March 5th.

Young Dempsey defeated Al Edwards, six rounds at Pottsville, Pa., March 5th.

Young Comiskey knocked out Slim Brown, second round at Pottsville, Pa., March 5th.

Battling Leonard knocked out Peter Husic, sixth round at Harrisburg, Pa., March 12th.

Ted Joyce knocked out Al Corbett, fourth round at New Kensington, Pa., March 12th.

Allentown Dundee and Al Brown boxed ten rounds to a draw at Sunbury, Pa., March 13th.

Battling Paskos defeated Indian Russell, eight rounds at Reading, Pa., March 13th.

Eddie Shevlin knocked out Earl Sears, second round at Lewistown, Maine, March 16th.

Young Lawrence defeated Goldie Gunn, ten rounds at Northfork, W. Va., March 14th.

Harry Martone and Joe Sentere boxed eight rounds to a draw at Newark, N. J., March 15th.

Ray Mitchell defeated Philadelphia Joe Welling, eight rounds at Atlantic, N. J., March 12th.

Bryan Downey defeated Phil Krug, twelve rounds at Orange, N. J., March 15th.

Jay Lanahan defeated Joe McCartney, twelve rounds at Perth Amboy, N. J., March 15th.

Terry Martin and Young Montreal boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Mariesville, R. I., March 13th.

Joe Clifford defeated Charlie Baxter, eight rounds at Mariesville, R. I., March 13th.

Al Shubert defeated Kid Kaplan, twelve rounds at Hartford, Ct., March 14th.

Frankie Jones defeated Battling Budd, ten rounds at Indianapolis, Ind., March 12th.

Freddie Boorde knocked out Louie Lavell, third round at Indianapolis, Ind., March 12th.

Johnny Brown defeated Kid Roux, twelve rounds at Hamilton, Ohio, March 13th.

Jimmy Gordon defeated Fighting Ferraris, six rounds at Hamilton, Ohio, March 13th.

Kid Palmer defeated Kid Rhodes, four rounds at Hamilton, Ohio, March 13th.

Waldo Patterson and Pat Daley boxed twelve rounds to a draw at Columbus, Ohio, March 15th.

Ted Joyce defeated Eddie O'Dowd, twelve rounds at Youngstown, Ohio, March 16th.

Joe Ryder and Louis Guglielmini boxed six rounds to a draw at New York City, March 16th.

Tony Vaccarelli knocked out Willie Ryan, first round at New York City, March 16th.

Nate Isaacman defeated Sammy Berne, twelve rounds at New York City, March 16th.

Johnny Lustig defeated Harvey Wilson at New York City, March 16th.

Andy Chaney defeated Jimmy Coney, ten rounds at Holyoke, Mass., March 16th.

Willie O'Connell defeated Joe Melito at Holyoke, Mass., March 16th.

Henry Ford defeated Mike Castle, ten rounds at Lawrence, Mass., March 16th.

Charlie O'Connell defeated Johnny Reno, ten rounds at Erie, Pa., March 16th.

MIDDLE WEST

Billy Wells defeated Frankie Schoell, ten rounds at Omaha, Neb., March 16th.

"Tiny" Herman knocked out Emil Engberg, ninth round at Omaha, Neb., March 16th.

Joe Burman defeated Joe Lynch, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 19th.

Mike Dundee defeated Patsy Flannagan, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 19th.

Eddie Anderson defeated Harold Smith, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 19th.

Frankie Schaefer defeated Frankie Garcia, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 19th.

Joe O'Hara defeated Billy Stearns, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 19th.

Connie Curry and Earl Puryear boxed ten rounds to a draw at Sioux City, Iowa, March 16th.

Eddie Root and Jackie Conway boxed ten rounds to a draw at La Crosse, Wis., March 16th.

Joe Burman and Frankie Schaefer boxed ten rounds to a draw at Chicago, Ill., March 12th.

Hilly Levine defeated Jack Eile, ten rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 12th.

Battling Chink knocked out Bud Dempsey, fifth round at Chicago, Ill., March 15th.

Battling Williams defeated Jabber Young, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 15th.

Eddie Walsh defeated Jimmy Dennis, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 15th

Ray Miller defeated Sailor Franklin, six rounds at Chicago, Ill., March 15th.

NORTHWEST

James J. Delaney defeated Billy Shade, ten rounds at Duluth, Minn., March 16th.

Henry Leonard knocked out Howard Mayberry, second round at Duluth, Minn., March 16th.

Eddie Raynor and Kid Alberts boxed to a draw at Duluth, Minn., March 16th.

Jimmy Cashill defeated Johnnie Ennis, six rounds at Duluth, Minn., March 16th.

Bud Logan defeated Frankie Darren, twelve rounds at Great Falls, Mont., March 17th.

Jock Malone knocked out Mike O'Dowd, first round at St. Paul, Minn., March 16th.

"Dago Joe" Gans knocked out Gus Bloomberg, fifth round at St. Paul, Minn., March 16th.

Del La Pointe defeated Benny Haskell, six rounds at St. Paul, Minn., March 16th.

Len Schwabel defeated Red Blanchard, six rounds at St. Paul, Minn., March 16th.

Artie Schiere defeated Jack Scully, four rounds at St. Paul, Minn., March 16th.

PACIFIC COAST

Dandy Dillon defeated Georgie Lee, six rounds at Seattle, Wash., March 13th.

Pat Williams defeated Eddie Jackson, six rounds at Seattle, Wash., March 13th.

Sailor Buell knocked out Spike Carney, second round at Seattle, Wash., March 13th.

Roy Fulton and Kid Kerber boxed four rounds to a draw at Seattle, Wash., March 13th.

Barney Goddard knocked out Pat Colma, third round at Seattle, Wash., March 13th.

Marty Foley defeated Danny Needham, six rounds at Yakima, Wash., March 15th.

Joe Benjamin defeated Johnny Reisler, four rounds at Vernon, Calif., March 13th.

Johnny Cline defeated Kid Carter, four rounds at San Diego, Calif., March 14th.

Cy Murphy and Johnny Webber boxed four rounds to a draw at San Diego, Calif., March 14th.

Benny Marks defeated Kid Bedford, four rounds at San Diego, Calif., March 14th.

Young Afoe knocked out Bobby Sommers, first round at San Diego, Calif., March 14th.

Charlie Sullivan and Young Papke boxed four rounds to a draw at San Francisco, Calif., March 14th.

Jimmy Duffy knocked out Jack Josephs, second round at Oakland, Calif., March 14th.

Ray Pelkey defeated Tom King, four rounds at Oakland, Calif., March 14th.

Terio Vargas and Johnny Farr boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., March 14th.

Russ Pierce defeated Bobby Burns, four rounds at Oakland, Calif., March 14th.

Bud Fisher and Charley Marinno boxed four rounds to a draw at Oakland, Calif., March 14th.

Bobbie Gray knocked out Young Baker, fourth round at Oakland, Calif., March 14th.

Dick Hoppe knocked out Johnny Drexel, second round at San Luis Obispo, Calif., March 14th.

Mason Giffen knocked out Sailor McCarty at San Luis Obispo, Calif., March 14th.

Joe Gorman knocked out Frankie Britt, third round at Tacoma, Wash., March 14th.

Billy Young defeated Johnny Mack, six rounds at Tacoma, Wash., March 14th.

Chuck Hellman knocked out Frankie Green, fourth round at Tacoma, Wash., March 14th.

Al Calvart defeated Frankie Grandetta, four rounds at Tacoma, Wash., March 14th.

Billy Mascott and California Joe Lynch boxed ten rounds to a draw at Portland, Ore., March 16th.

Rocky Strambo knocked out Bob Getz, first round at Portland, Ore., March 16th.

Nick Yager knocked out Young Peter Jackson, third round at Portland, Ore., March 16th.

Joe Kennedy defeated Kid Brooks, four rounds at Portland, Ore., March 16th.

Soldier Archer defeated Jack Fitzsimmons, four rounds at Portland, Ore., March 16th.

Billy Gibbs defeated "Racehorse" Roberts, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., March 16th.

Jimmy Sacco defeated Eddie White, four rounds at San Francisco, Calif., March 16th.

Frankie McCann defeated Sailor Walters, four rounds at Hollywood, Calif., March 16th.

SOUTH

Walter Caldwell won on a foul from Geo. Manley in the tenth round at Raton, New Mexico, March 15th.

Martin Burke defeated Farmer Lodge, fifteen rounds at New Orleans, La., March 12th.

CANADA

Carl Tremaine defeated Johnny Ertle, ten rounds at Windsor, Ont., March 16th.

Jack Reddick knocked out Sammy Trapp, tenth round at Moose Jaw, Sask., March 15th.

Young Gates defeated T. Turner, three rounds at Moose Jaw, Sask., March 15th.

Battling Chuck defeated Young Craig, three rounds at Moose Jaw, Sask., March 15th.

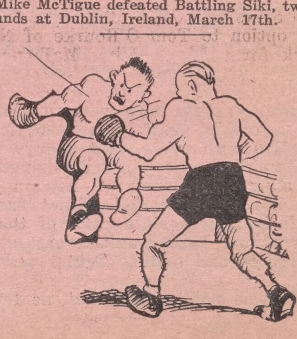
Jimmy Brady defeated Georges Gregor, eight rounds at Windsor, Ont., March 16th.

Tommy Hughes defeated Joe Lucas, six rounds at Windsor, Ont., March 16th.

Frankie Ebere defeated Johnny Mello, six rounds at Windsor, Ont., March 16th.

EUROPE

Mike McTigue defeated Battling Siki, twenty rounds at Dublin, Ireland, March 17th.



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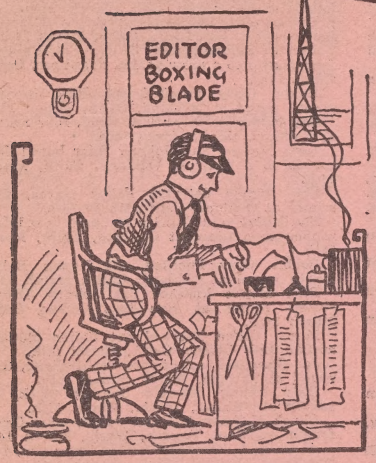

NEW YORK.—Mike McTigue, Irish American boxer who won the world's light heavyweight championship in Dublin by defeating Battling Siki, probably will defend his newly won laurels against Georges Carpentier, it was revealed after announcement by Tex Rickard that he had obtained an option on McTigue's services.

The promoter's option was secured through McTigue's manager, Joe Jacobs, who is in this country. Negotiations would be started at once, Rickard said, to bring Siki's conqueror and Carpentier together this summer. He plans to stage the contest in Boyle's Thirty Acres, Jersey City, or the Yankee stadium, probably in June.

McTigue, according to his manager, is expected to return to the United States soon prepared to defend his title.

Carpentier lost the light heavyweight title to Siki when he was knocked out in the sixth round of a bout in Paris last September. He had arranged a return meeting with the Senegelese, to take place next September in Paris, but in view of the black's downfall is expected to accept, instead a chance in this country to regain his lost laurels.

The winner of a McTigue-Carpentier bout probably would be matched later with Gene Tunney of New York, holder of the American light heavyweight title.

Ring experts here were unanimous in agreeing that McTigue's victory carried with it the light heavyweight championship despite cable dispatches quoting the belief of London and Paris critics that Siki did not lose his title because certain rules of the international boxing union were not adhered to and neither fighter weighed in.

It was pointed out that, so far as weight was concerned, McTigue, ordinarily a middleweight, undoubtedly entered the ring considerably under the 175 pound light heavyweight limit, and thus, by his victory, was entitled to claim the championship, regardless of what Siki weighed.

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BUD LOGAN GETS DECISION OVER DARREN

Great Falls, Mont.—Bud Logan of Omaha defeated Frankie Darren, coast welterweight champion here March 17th, winning the referee's decision at the end of the twelve rounds. The battle was a thriller having the crowd on its feet at several stages. Logan knocked Darren down three times in the last round. Logan won six rounds, Darren took three and three were even.

10,000 NEW YORK KIDS LEARNING TO BE BOXERS

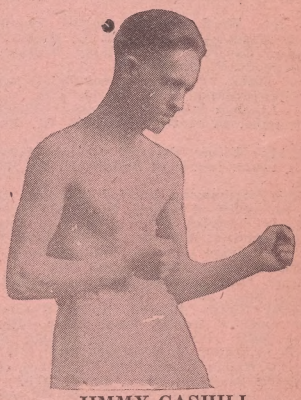
New York.—Ten thousand embryo Benny Leonards are in training in Greater New York. At least 10,000 boys under 15 years have thrown away their Babe Ruth baseball caps and pulled on boxing mitts. Leather-pushing is the ambition of everyone. Instructors say that the ambition has been awakened among New York youths by the bounteous harvest of "berries" that champs gather from the squared circle.

For two years smart adults flattered little boys with: "Say, kid, I bet you'll be a second Babe Ruth," but that thrill has died and been replaced by one which not only involves sport but high finance. Today flattery consists in, "Say, baby thunderbolt, I bet you tote a mean haymaker."

The business value of the game has been well published. According to instructors, Jewish boys make the best pupils because, as one said, "Sammy Cohen goes at is just like he would the clothing business."

"I might be a millionaire some day," said one pupil when asked why he was taking lessons. "Leonard—he's a millionaire. Looky here—look, see my block, and look, this is an uppercut. I'm rushin' my man now—gangway, fellers," he said, tearing into an imaginary bout.

"Fresh guys can't hit you if you know the K. O.," said one boy when asked why he aspired to be a boxer.



JIMMY CASHILL
St. Paul Lightweight

LYNCH-GENARO MATCH PLANNED

New York.—Frankie Genaro of New York, American flyweight champion, may have a chance to duplicate Johnny Buff's feat of holding two ring titles.

Tentative negotiations are under way to match the diminutive east sider and Joe Lynch of New York, world's bantamweight titleholder, for a 15-round contest at Madison square garden May 4th, as a finale to the indoor season.

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GOOD BOUTS LINED UP FOR FARGO SHOW

Fargo, N. D.—Promoter Jack Hurley has two good bouts lined up for his next show here on April 6th. Gunner Joe Quinn, Minneapolis, welterweight, will meet Jack Bailey of Fargo in the main 10-round event. Jackie Nichols and Jimmy Woodhall, featherweights, will clash in the 10-round semi-windup.

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WELLS BEATS SCHOELL; HERMAN KAYOS ENGBERG

Omaha, Neb.—Billy Wells, British welterweight champion won a referee's decision over Frankie Schoell of Buffalo, N. Y., in a ten-round bout here March 16th. Emil Engberg, Minneapolis light heavyweight, was knocked out in the ninth round of a scheduled ten-round bout by "Tiny" Herman, Omaha heavyweight.

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TREMAINE BARELY WINS OVER JOHNNY ERTLE

Detroit, Mich.—Carl Tremaine was awarded the judges' decision over Johnny Ertle at Windsor, March 16th,

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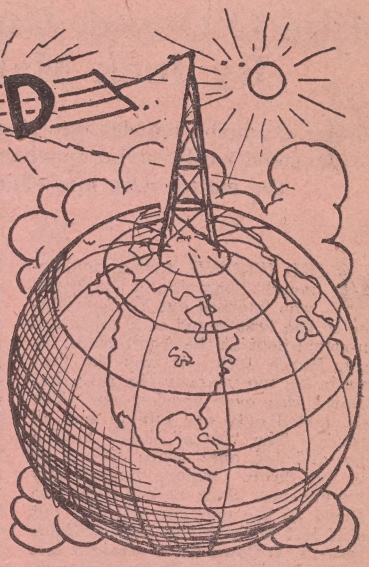

Joe Burman Outpoints Joe Lynch In Big Chicago Ring Carnival

CHICAGO—Joe Burman of Chicago outpointed Joe Lynch, world's champion bantamweight here March 19th, in a 10-round no decision contest, the first big boxing match held in Chicago since the memorable match between Joe Gans and Terry McGovern, 10 years ago. Burman was credited with six rounds, Lynch two and two were even.

With boxing matches prohibited in Illinois by law, the match was staged by an American Legion post as the result of an injunction granted, restraining the police from interference. The bout drew a crowd which packed Dexter Park pavilion to standing room capacity, 10,000 people paying $48,000 to witness the program.

Lynch fought rather indifferently after the first two rounds. The bantamweight champion won the first two rounds by a wide margin, varying effectively with his favorite one-two punch. He split Burman's nose with a right punch in the first round and the Chicago boy, a second later, went to floor, partly because of a slip, and partly because of a punch. Burman jumped to his feet without waiting for a count.

Burman took the lead in the third round when he backed Lynch to the ropes, connecting solidly to the head with rights and lefts. The fourth was even, while the fifth went to Burman because Lynch did not attempt to lead in this round. Burman also won the sixth by keeping the champion on the defensive. The seventh was even.

While Burman won the eighth, Lynch opened up in the ninth round with snappy drives to the head and body, but Burman outfinished him and also captured the honors. After the contest Burman said that he injured his right arm in the sixth round. He displayed his elbow, which was badly swollen.

Tonight's bouts were late in starting because of the crowd that jammed the entrances, and Burman and Lynch did not get into the ring until nearly midnight.

Punching from every angle, Joe O'Hara hammered Billy Stearns of Minneapolis groggy in the fifth and sixth rounds and won an interesting six-round contest handily. Stearns stopped many heavy right jolts to the chin, but never lost his feet.

Mike Dundee of Rock Island defeated Patsy Flannagan of St. Louis after ten rounds of toe to toe milling. Dundee proved too experienced and strong for the Mound City boxer and lured him into close quarters at which game he excelled.

Eddie Anderson, the Moline fighting fool, defeated Harold Smith, the Stock Yards pride, in handy fashion in ten rounds and Frankie Schaefer of Chicago shaded Frankie Garcia of Memphis in ten rounds.

after one of the greatest bantamweight fights seen in or around Detroit in a long time. While Tremaine was entitled to the decision his margin over the St. Paul midget was far from a wide one. Ertle gave an exhibition in which at times he showed a return to his championship form of five or six years ago.

Tremaine's advantage was gained in the early rounds when Ertle was doing all the leading and Tremaine was using his greater height and reach to good effect in counter punching.

With Tremaine leading in the first five rounds, Ertle almost upset the dope in the sixth when he placed a left hook full on Carl's jaw. His knees buckled and he fell into a clinch. Another left hook had him reeling but he held on to the finish of the round.

That much-praised punch of Tremaine's never hurt Ertle.

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DANDY DILLON BEATS LEE IN THRILLING BOUT

Seattle, Wash.—Dandy Dillon will do.

A full house of Seattle fans at the Crystal Pool March 13th, voted unanimously that the Minneapolis bantam can hang up his hat here and call Seattle his home anytime he cares to. Dillon, subbing for Vic Foley, fought his way to a clean-cut decision over George Washington Lee, Chinese bantam from Sacramento, in the six-round main event. Lee gave Dillon plenty of fight. Lee led for the first three rounds, when Dillon began to get his bearings, and before the bout was finished his lead was so great that there was not a dissenting voice when Referee Pete Moe raised Dillon's hand.

Dillon, by his victory, will probably draw another match with Vic Foley. Austin & Salt, who will promote the next show, promised Foley a match with the winner. Foley was unable to fight Lee as the boxing commission would not sanction the bout as scheduled because of Foley's badly injured arm.

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PENNA. MAY GET STATE COMMISSION

Harrisburg, Pa. — Supervision of boxing and wrestling matches by a state athletic commission is provided for in a bill introduced in the state legislature in session here. The commission is to consist of three members appointed by the governor for a term of two years. Each member would be paid a salary of $5,000 a year. The bill provides for ten-round contests to a decision by a referee and two judges. No boxer under 18 would be permitted to participate in a boxing bout. The commission would have power to hold up the money to be paid the boxers if they do not give an honest exhibition. All boxers and officials would be licensed. Promoters would pay the state a tax of 2 per cent of the gross receipts. Betting on boxing exhibitions is made punishable by a fine of $1,000 or two years' imprisonment or both.

Mike O'Dowd, Unfit For Fight, is Knocked Out By Jock Malone in the First Round at St. Paul

Former champion hobbles into ring on arms of handlers—Leg so weak during training workouts that he could hardly stand up when boxing with sparring partners—Crowd wondered what was the matter with him—Jimmy Delaney shows championship class in easy win over Billy Shade at Duluth

MIKE O'DOWD, former middleweight champion of the world, was knocked out by Jock Malone in the first round of a scheduled ten-round bout at the Auditorium, St. Paul, March 16th. It was the first time in his ten years in the ring that O'Dowd was ever knocked out. The fight lasted only one minute and 15 seconds. The "Harp" didn't land a blow and led only twice before he was put down. Malone landed only three punches. Jock walked right into O'Dowd at the opening bell and put a stiff left hook to the body without a return. O'Dowd led a straight left for the head which Malone slipped. They stepped back and O'Dowd tried with his right to the face. Malone slipped inside of this punch and they clinched momentarily. When they broke, O'Dowd stood wide open and Malone crashed a short left hook to his chin. The punch, though it did not seem to be hard, landed flush on the button and the Harp keeled over backward. He gamely struggled to his feet at the count of six but was out on his feet. With his opponent helpless, Malone put everything he had on a right to the jaw and O'Dowd went down like a log, his head hitting the floor with an awful thump. He tried to get up again but after getting part way up his legs gave under him and he fell back. Referee George Barton then stopped the fight, declaring Malone the winner.

O'Dowd was not in fit shape for a fight. Although he was passed by the examining physician of the Minnesota Boxing commission, it was common knowledge among fans who saw him in his training workouts for a week before the bout that he was in no shape to meet an opponent of Malone's caliber. He was knocked down in training bouts by mediocre sparring partners with big gloves. He had a hard time keeping on his feet without being hit owing to a weak leg that appeared to be almost paralyzed. Frequently he almost fell to the floor when he would miss a punch.

The night of the fight he came into the ring with his knee bandaged and it was so weak he could barely climb into the ring. In fact he had to be helped through the ropes by his seconds on whose arms he leaned. He looked like a cripple being assisted into his chair rather than a boxer in fit condition for a hard battle. It was common talk before the bout that if O'Dowd wasn't knocked out he would be unable to go ten rounds in the shape he was in.

The card as a whole was disappointing to the crowd which packed the Auditorium. The preliminary bouts were hardly worth the price of admission. Two boxers who had not had gloves on in the ring for a couple of years or more were on the card. Dago Joe Gans, St. Paul Welterweight, recently graduated from the amateur ranks, knocked out Gus Bloomberg of Minneapolis in the fifth round. Bloomberg hadn't fought for so long that most of the fans present didn't know who he was. Benny Haskell of Minneapolis, another old-timer who retired from the ring years ago, was outpointed by Del LaPointe in six dragging rounds. The crowd boohed continuously during this bout.

The chief comment after the bout among those who didn't know the facts was "What was the matter with O'Dowd?" And some of the replies to this question were not very complimentary to the Harp, though unjustly so.

The fault for the poor match did not lie with O'Dowd who went down gamely and fighting the best he could in the shape he was in. He still had his fighting heart but that was about all he had in fighting equipment. The fault was in permitting him to fight in that shape.

JIMMY DELANEY WINS OVER BILLY SHADE

BY LOUIS H. GOLLOP
(Sports Editor, Duluth News-Tribune)

Duluth, Minn.—Jimmy Delaney is the greatest show man in the world. Using his left with machine-like regularity and moving around the ring as though he was a bantamweight, Delaney made Billy Shade, the "Australian Wonderman" look like a beginner and won the judges' decision in a ten-round bout here March 16th. This was not needed as there wasn't a soul in the Armory who was in the least bit doubtful as to the winner when the final gong sounded.

Delaney reminds one of good wine. He improves with age. Three years ago he came to the Head of the Lakes and took on Red Erspamer in Superior, and scored a knockout. Delaney looked promising at that time. Today he is ready for any of them. Tunney, Greb, or any other leading light in the light-heavyweight division would find a worthy foe in this Delaney person. Schooled by the famous Mike Gibbons and managed by the shrewd Mike Collins, Delaney is just as clever as Gibbons and although he still lacks the finer points that Mike alone mastered, Delaney today looks good enough to be the next light-heavyweight king.

Jabbing with his left and then shooting over a right cross Delaney had Shade at his mercy. Delaney could have ended the bout any time after the fourth round. He toyed with Shade. In the sixth round he had his man on the verge of a knockout but failed to follow his lead. Whether or not he chose to make the bout last 10 rounds is hard to say but he sure could have finished the affair right there and then.

Delaney took seven rounds. Shade one and two were even.

Henry Leonard, a newcomer in the boxing game, upset the dope by knocking out Howard Mayberry in the second round.

Kid Alberts and Eddie Reynor fought a slashing six-round draw.

Johnny Ennis of Superior ran into a snag in Jimmy Cashill of St. Paul and took a six-round pasting in the curtain raiser. Cashill, a Mike Gibbons pupil, showed all the class and skill that Gibbons can teach his boys. He never was in danger and Ennis looked funny at times in his efforts to land a solid blow.

Ed Shave, sports editor, St. Paul Daily News, refereed all the fights in fine fashion.

The fans paid a tribute to the memory of Jimmy Valentine, Duluth bantamweight, who died recently. Just before the curtain raiser went on, the fans turned east and with bowed heads listened to the final referee's count of ten. A dance was given to raise funds to erect a memorial for Valentine.

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THE MIDWEST will now witness some big league boxing. The entrance of Chicago into the field on a big scale will cause recognition for the glove wielders that are hidden around these parts, unknown to the eastern fans through the lack of opportunities to display their wares before the Madison Square Garden critics that crown and uncrown the American title holders. But now it's different. With the Garden closed for seven weeks all eyes will be focused on the doings of the Windy City.

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THE EAST now reigns in all but three American championships, having Frankie Genaro, flyweight; Joe Lynch, bantam; Johnny Dundee, junior lightweight; Benny Leonard, lightweight; Mickey Walker, welter; Johnny Wilson, middleweight; Gene Tunney, light heavyweight; and Harry Wills, colored heavyweight. The West possesses Johnny Kilbane, feather; Pinkey Mitchell, junior welter; and Jack Dempsey, heavyweight.

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PROMOTER Jim Mullen has had the upper hand on the situation for a while but he will run into some high class opposition with Dick Curley, promoter of renown, also entering the field. Curley has been in the promoting game for over twenty years, and has been connected with many big matches in the east. In 1917 he created a furore when he matched two world's champions, Benny Leonard and Johnny Kilbane in their memorable battle in Philadelphia, something unheard of up until that time. He knows the situation in this vicinity as he was connected with the East Chicago Arena and had Leonard perform for him. He now has a project in mind that will startle the fans. He left for New York last week to confer with Tom O'Rourke, matchmaker of the Republic Athletic Club of the New York Giants Polo Grounds, and has matched his star lightweight Sailor Freedman with Champion Benny Leonard for the title on July 2. Curley sends forth the news that if he needs any assistance in anything he has the help of either Tex Rickard or O'Rourke. Dick says that he will give the boys from this section an opportunity to show against the Eastern crowned champs and that there are plenty that can hold their own. As for Chicago, it alone can produce quite a few that stand out with some real fighting ability to cope with the titleholders.

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FRANKIE GENARO would run into a tough assignment if he would care to mingle with the sockem and rockem kid, Herbie Schaeffer, really the only local lad that can make the flyweight limit of 112 pounds.

Other small fellows are Pal Moore and Harold Smith, both just a little too heavy for the 112-pounders, but they stand a good chance with the bantams if the heavy boys that insist on holding the bantam spotlight would take to their own class, the junior featherweight at the 122-pound mark. Other real 118-pound bantams are Eddie Anderson and Bud Taylor. Of the quartet Moore seems to have the edge as he stepped right into New York last week and decisively defeated Frankie Jerome in the Garden. Now he has offers for a date with Carl Tremaine, which he will accept after considering them. Tremaine will appear here on April 8, and will likely hook up with Moore or Burman.

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THE Junior Featherweight class really stands out as a strong department if the boys would take more interest in fighting at their own natural figure and not step into the ring weakened from the weight reducing process just because they want to be called bantams. There are many around the country that hurt themselves by doing this, and if they came in at their best weight they would show to better advantage. We have some good little 122-pounders that could hold their own with any that would dispute their claim to such title. Mike Dundee, Joe Burman and Patsy Flannigan are the best, with Patsy the fighting Irishman, a comer with his aggressive tearing in style that pleases the fans in every combat that he has taken part in since his arrival from St. Louis. The Blade has done a world of good for the heavy lightweights by running the junior welterweight contest, and would help the thing along if they would start one for the 122-pounders.

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JOHNNY KILBANE wouldn't be at ease if he had to face such dangerous sockers as Frankie Garcia or Frankie Schaeffer. William Sailor Freedman finally gets his deserved chance at Leonard after his long wait. Sailor through his manager, Dick Curley, has placed a $2,500 forfeit with the New York Commission which they accepted, at the same time refusing to take Charley White's and Rocky Kansas' forfeits. Chairman Wm. Muldoon stated that both had the opportunity to show their class but failed, both feeling the taste of a knockout at the hands of Leonard.

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OUR WELTERS, Jimmy Nikol the promising leather-pusher, and Billy Ryan the former Cincinnati socker, now making his home here, both would cause Mickey Walker to traverse at top-rate speed. Ryan was imported by Joe Keefe, manager of Patsy Flannigan, and his record speaks for itself. All he has done was to knock over Marcel Thomas, the Frenchman and Goats Doig, also scoring two victories over Dave Shade, proving that the first battle wasn't any fluke. Then Jack Perry came out second best, the same as Harvey Thorpe, Pete Latzo, K. O. Loughlin, Bryan Downey and others of that type, so he won't find any trouble in getting employment around here.

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BILL TATE really has as much claim on the colored heavyweight crown as Harry Wills, as the last time the men performed, they battled to a draw. Kid Howard, manager of Tate, suggests that Tex Rickard put the men on the same card with Willard and Johnson for the Milk Fund affair that takes place in the new Yankees Stadium on May 17th. Wills doesn't stand much of a chance to face Dempsey with the white heavies coming to the fore with some real ability, so why not keep him in action.

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THREE SHOWS were held here last week with the Joe Burman and Frankie Schaeffer topping the list in receipts with $8,100. The Burman and Schaeffer contest was a divided opinion with the local dailies, both getting verdicts and one gave it a draw. The other bouts resulted in a win for Patsy Flannigan over Johnny Kilbane's youngster, Al Zeimer of Cleveland and Frankie Frisco beat Jimmy Dennis. Hillv Levine an importation from New York made a hit with the fans. Battling Chink, Jack McMahon's Cincinnati bantam mixer, scored a technical knockout over Bud Dempsey of New York, when the latter had a cut opened over his right eye. Although he wanted to continue Referee Joe Coffey stopped the muss in the fifth session. Battling Williams defeated Jabber Young, Eddie Walsh won from Jimmy Dennis and Ray Miller, a sparkling young bantam scored another win by taking Sailor Franklin into camp. The bouts were held before the Armour Post of the American Legion at the Stockyards. Jimmy Nikol, the promising welter, defeated Sammy Baker of New York at the Hamilton Club. The semi-final turned out to be Eddie Welsh's second victory of the week when he knocked out Eddie Burns in the second.

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son's crown. The Ohio commission claimed that Malone won the title when he defeated Bryan Downey, but boxing authorities have recognized Wilson as the legitimate title holder, despite his trouble with the New York commission and inactivity. Malone and Jeff Smith should be brought together for a battle, the winner to meet Wilson.

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If Tex Rickard and other eastern promoters are looking for challengers to send against Gene Tunney for the light heavyweight title they might do a lot worse than cast their eyes toward Jimmy Delaney of St. Paul, whom Mike Gibbons and Mike Collins have been grooming for just such a title. Billy Shade was considered a candidate for the honor, but at Duluth the other night Delaney won the decision over the Californian without much trouble. Delaney is about ready for either Harry Greb or Tunney, and from present indications it looks as though the lad, who is just 20, will develop into a heavyweight of the Jim Corbett class.

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America is not the only place where boxing titles have been changing hands of late. In England, Ted Lewis lost his crown to Roland Todd, a new comer, while Boy McCormick dropped his cruiser weight title to Jack Bloomfield and now Harry Lake, a new lad among the bantams, has taken the championship for 118-pounders away from Tommy Harrison, who not so long ago annexed it from Jim Higgins. The new bantam champion, Harry Lake, appears to be a good class boy. He beat Harrison at every angle and the late title holder was the first to give Lake credit for his win. Harrison, according to reports, was terribly slow, or seemed so in comparison—and had Lake put any power in his punches the ex-champ could never have lasted through the decision. The new champion was battled about 50 times since the beginning of 1919 and lost three times. First to Johnny Murton at Plymouth, whom he beat twice afterwards. He lost to Frankie Ash in 20 rounds and was knocked out by George Garrard in 11 rounds at Holland Park two years ago. Since then he has not been defeated. On his showing with Harrison, it will take a real good boy to beat him—one who has a punch and can box fast. Lake announces that he wants a few more fights in England before challenging Joe Lynch of New York for the world's title. It is possible that Lynch may not hold the title by the time Lake challenges, as Carl Tremain and Joe Burman are not on the trail of the champion and stand a good chance of defeating him if they meet.

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The British Board of Control recently had before it a proposal to bar the so-called "rabbit" punch. The Board refused to make any law on the subject when it was explained by Manager Bettinson of the National Sporting Club, that the blow in question could not possibly be delivered in a fair manner and was already provided for by Rule 6 of the national sporting clubs which already gives a referee power to disqualify a man unless it is absolutely necessary. Of course it is not intended to let one boxer imagine he can get away with such stuff, but to protect the fans as well as the promoters. Where the boxer committing a foul is disqualified his end of the purse is usually forfeited, so there is really no good reason for any of them trying to get away with a foul. Most referees, when a boxer has been fouled, give the injured man from one to five minutes to recuperate and if he cannot respond by that time then the offending boxer is disqualified and his share of the purse money withheld, and given to some charity. That is the best cure for foul boxers.

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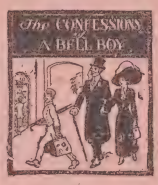

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European News

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a world's title battle with Johnny Kilbane, no doubt Fox would delay his return home, but if Eugene Criqui adheres to his plans, the French boy, as European champion, would have a prior claim to a clash with Kilbane. Joe Fox is no stranger to America but the fans will find him a different class boxer to what he was in pre-war days.

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I saw Freddy Welsh and Jack Sharkey for a few minutes but Freddy was not very communicative and goes off to Wales, so I cannot say anything about his plans.

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Ted Lewis took his defeat by Todd very badly and has not been seen in public since. I had a chat with his manager and he assures me that Lewis can easily make the welter limit and if he can fix a bout with Piet Hobin, the Belgian title holder, he will defend his European title at 147 pounds which was not at stake when he fought Todd.

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Various rumors are afloat concerning Jimmy Wilde's intentions and even at the N. S. C. last evening I could not obtain anything definite. If the financial end is satisfactory I fancy Jimmy will go over to box Villa, but it will have to be a big purse to lure him from South Wales. Young Snow-ball (Ted Broadribb) assures me that Wilde goes over in May and that he will travel by the same boat taking over Seaman Hall and others of his string.

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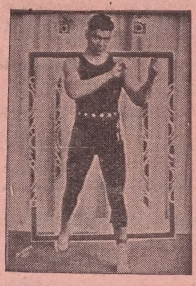

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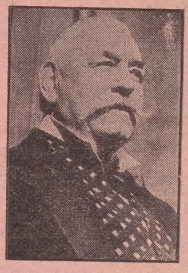

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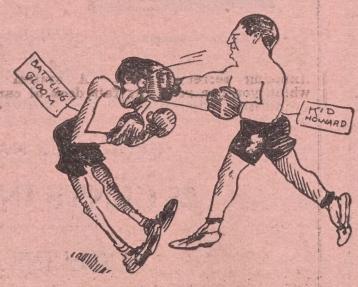

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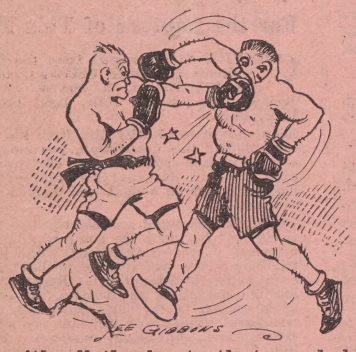

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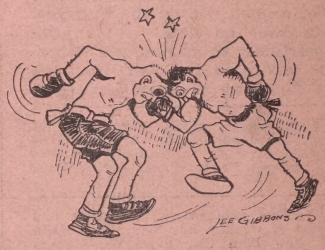

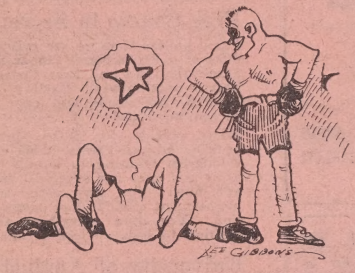

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